



UNIFIED FIRE AUTHORITY BOARD MINUTES

March 19, 2019 7:30 a.m.

Emergency Operations Center – 3380 South 900 West SLC, UT 84119

Notice: Some Board members may participate by electronic means.

1. Call to Order
Quorum was obtained. Chair Dahle called the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m.
2. Public Comment
None
3. Approval of Minutes
Councilmember Stewart moved to approve the minutes from the February 19, 2019 UFA Board Meeting as submitted
Mayor Peterson seconded the motion
All voted in favor
4. Committee Updates
 - Benefits & Compensation Committee
 - Next meeting: Wednesday, March 27, 2019, EOC
 - Gallagher will present benefits for final review and the committee hopes to have a recommendation for the Finance Committee
 - Governance Committee
 - Conversation continued regarding clarifications to the Interlocal Agreement
 - Based on the committee discussion, Draft #5 will be presented to the Governance Committee for review, then emailed to the Board in preparation for the April Board Meetings
 - If agreed upon, the draft will be sent to each jurisdictions council for a 60 day review
 - The agreement to adopt the Interlocal must be unanimous
 - Mayor Silvestrini stressed the importance of getting it right and everyone being in agreement rather than rushing the final product
 - Finance Committee
 - No meeting held
 - Next meeting: Monday, April 15, 2019, EOC
 - All Board Members are welcome to attend

5. Consent Agenda
a. Review of February Disbursements

Mayor Silvestrini moved to approve the February disbursements as submitted.
Councilmember Stewart seconded the motion
All voted in favor

6. Fire School 101 Opportunities – IAFF 1696

- Steve Schmidt announced the upcoming Fire School 101 on May 24
- This will be held at the UFA Training Tower
- All Board Members are welcome
- Chief Petersen stressed what an important and great event this is and provides an interesting view of the operational side of UFA
- Please consider attending, RSVP's will be taken at a later date

Air Conditioning Retrofit – AC Watson/Division Chief Robinson

- Request that monies set aside for emergency repairs to the apparatus be used to retrofit 12 Seagrave engines for air conditioning
- Many attempts have been made to repair the lack of adequate air conditioning, but to no avail
- One engine has been retrofit and testing has confirmed that the retrofit will be successful
- The budget will be continuously monitored to ensure that if necessary repairs are needed on other apparatus, those will take priority
- Funds will be used from the Fleet Maintenance line item
- Able to complete all necessary retrofitting this budget year

Recorder batteries failed, replaced and recorder turned back on at this point

- Mayor Dahle approves of moving the funds, as long as Logistics is confident that no further monies will be requested
- Mayor Sondak asked if the money in the line item will reach the end of the year
 - Unless something quite unforeseen happens, Division Chief Robinson is confident that “yes”, funding will be adequate

Councilmember Martin moved to approve the retrofitting of the air conditioning on the Seagrave Apparatus

Councilmember Stewart seconded the motion
All voted in favor

8. Fire Chief Report

- Legislative Report – Dave/Ashley Spatafore
 - This Legislative Session was very successful
 - Great feedback and support of UFA and the Fire Chief's Association
 - HB5/HB466-Retirement & Independent Entities Base Budget and Amendments-Passed
 - HB13-Distracted Driving Amendments-Failed
 - Will continue working with Fire and Police Chief's to get on good footing for next session
 - Plan to also work on penalty increases
 - Chief Petersen stated that any step toward this is a success

- HB120-Student and School Safety Assessment-Passed
 - Evacuation drill changes, how we coordinate with them will be the issue
- HB173-Emergency Services Volunteers Employment Protection Amendments-Passed
 - Permission prior to leave will need to be given
- SB129-Public Safety & FF Tier 2 Retirement Enhancements-Passed
 - This is going forward, won't backfill
 - There is no impact to the UFA budget
- SB167-Public Safety Planned Retirement Program-Failed
 - In preparation for next Legislative Session; work will be done with URS to eliminate the fiscal note
 - Need to figure out the best way to approach this
 - Chief Petersen believes we need to ask the actuary directly
- SB187-County Planning & Services Amendments-Passed
 - Will continue to find a long-term solution
 - Sunset for is June 2021 and provides Brighton time to get an elected official onboard
- Chief wishes to thank the Spatafore's for all their exceptional work and efforts
- Battalion Chief Boot Camp – AC Higgs
 - 23 Participants have completed the 3 day workshop
 - Engaged in extensive discussions on leadership and expectation
 - 19 individuals will take the upcoming written test next week
 - April 9th the assessment process begins
 - Outside raters from out-of-state districts/agencies of similar size will help UFA make objective decisions on who best will fill the BC role
- Progress on Time Card Approval Systems - CFO Hill/AC Higgs
 - All Divisions have been working diligently to comply with audit findings regarding timecards
 - Finance feels confident that moving forward, UFA can maintain this compliance level
 - Councilmember Stewart inquired about the procedural issues
 - Will continue moving through policies, but consider the problem solved
 - WL Challenges were questioned by Mayor Sondak
 - CFO Hill stated that this too will be tied to a procedural solution since it is an issue that will be ongoing and will present itself throughout various Divisions within UFA
 - It will be clear as to how situations of deployment are handled

Mayor Westmoreland arrived 8:36 a.m.

- VECC Hexagon Update – Chief Petersen
 - A mediator and Attorney have been chosen to represent VECC for the Hexagon CAD
 - Trustees meeting tomorrow
 - Will keep the Board informed as things progress
- Employee Recognition – AC Watson
 - Chief Petersen presented coins and a standing ovation was given to Captain Eric Staten and Mark Pierce for the Alta fire rescue

Mayor Dahle reminded everyone to RSVP by March 30th for the upcoming UFA Banquet on April 5, 2019 at the Little America Hotel

9. Closed Session

None

10. Adjournment

Mayor Hale moved to adjourn meeting

Councilmember Bailey seconded the motion

All voted in favor

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Mayor Jeff Silvestrini

Mayor Kristie Overson

Mayor Mike Peterson

Councilmember Gary Bowen

Mayor Robert Dahle

Councilmember Allan Perry

Councilmember Sheldon Stewart

Mayor Harris Sondak

Mayor Robert Hale

Councilmember Kathleen Bailey

Mayor Tom Westmoreland – arrived 8:36am

Surveyor Reid Demman

Councilmember Nicole Martin

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Councilmember Richard Snelgrove

Councilmember Eric Ferguson

Mayor Kelly Bush

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

CFO Tony Hill

Chief Petersen

CLO Roberts

Cynthia Young

OTHER ATTENDEES:

AC Jay Ziolkowski

AC Mike Watson

AC Stephen Higgs

Arriann Woolf

Ashley Spatafore

BC Brian Anderton

BC Wade Watkins

Bill Brass

Captain Chad Simons

Captain Eric Staten

Captain Nate Bogenschutz

Cassandra & Mark Pierce,

Civilians Alta Fire

Dan Knopp, BCC

Dave Spatafore

DC Woolsey

Division Chief Ball

Division Chief Mecham

Division Chief Robinson

Division Chief Torgersen

Fire Marshal Larson

Ifo Pili, 8:36am

Jarin Blackham

Keith Zuspan, BCC

Lana Burningham

Matt McFarland

Michelle Roper

Nile Easton

Rachel Anderson

Steve Quinn

Steve Schmidt

Talsan Schulzke

Tim Tingey, CWH